

## NOTICES From the Field

On account of the climate and my health, I resigned the pastoral work this year. However, we will evangelize some. While in revivals, we will teach both vocal and orchestral music and organize you a band right in your church with no extra cost. Write me at Davis, W. Va.—R. L. Rexrode.

To all Church of God people who have friends, relatives or Church of God members living in Chicago, Ill., please notify me and I will call on them.—Rev. Burns M. White, pastor, 3246 W. Congress St., Chicago, Ill.

The Houston, Tex., district convention will convene at the Houston church, 1404 Allston St., Houston Heights Addition, Feb. 21-23. Our state overseer, Brother T. W. Godwin, will be with us.—Ernest M. Smith, district pastor, 1404 Allston St.. Houston, Tex.

I am available for a pastorate. There is only wife and I. We both play and sing. —Evangelist Perry N. Kenyon, 97 Wright St., Oshkosh, Wis.

To the pastors of the Church of God: I am going on the battlefield for Jesus and the Church of God. References: Brother Beaube, state overseer of Georgia; Brother G. R. Watson, district overseer, Atlanta, Ga.; Brother H. L. Whittington, pastor, Atlanta Church of God. If I can serve you, address me at 704 Davis St., Monroe, Ga.—F. E. Sanders.

To whom it may concern: My address for this Assembly year is Rt. 6, Ripley, Tenn.—Rev. B. H. Smith.

### SPECIAL NOTICE

I shall appreciate anyone's giving me information as to the whereabouts of a Pentecostal minister by the name of Turner Hall. — J. H. Walker, General Overseer.

If anyone knows the address of Sister Ora Mae Ruff, please give me the information at once.—Jim Lee, Rt. 2, McCall Creek, Miss.

If you have any papers, tracts, Testaments, or books which are of no service to you, send them to Sam McBroom, Rt. 1, Box 140, Barnesville, Ga.

To the friends of the Church of God in the Northwest: The Minot, Plaza, and Ryder districts convention will convene at Plaza, N. D., Feb. 15, 16, Rev. Hughes Morehead, district overseer. We are expecting a great time in the Lord and you are invited to attend. Free entertainment to all visiting delegates. Brother Glyndon Logsdon of Lemmon, S. Dak., will be with us, also a quartet from the Bible School, to sing for the convention.

Remember the date. Be sure to attend this feast of good things.—D. C. Boatwright, state overseer.

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From My Letters

J. H. Walker, General Overseer

### Good News From New Mexico

"Around fifteen saved in the revival in Roswell, and eleven saved at Hot Springs in the last two weeks. Plan a revival at Jal immediately. Brother John Moore, new pastor at Artesia, doing well. Revival now in progress at Sedan. Four have been saved and two sanctified. Several in the altar seeking the Lord.—H. E. Ramsey."

May God bless and help you in your work there, Brother Ramsey. Remember that we are praying for you.

### More Good News From N. Carolina

Brother Roland Verrico, Concord, North Carolina, writes:

"The church here has only been organized since August of 1940. Six months have passed, but not without great progress being made in every department of the church. Here are some of the particulars: There has been a nice addition to the church. There have been two great revivals held with 144 being saved, 57 sanctified, and 40 baptized with the Holy Ghost. These two revivals were conducted by Thea Iones and Dr. Helen L. Morrow. Our Sunday School has an average of about 112 every Sunday. The Y. P. E. had an average of about 100 for the month of December. We are building a new stone block church, which is more than half finished. We are now worshipping in the new building, and when it is finished we believe it will be one of the most beautiful churches in the movement. It is being built on the 'Build-asyou-pay Plan.' Up to the present time there has been about \$1,500 cash raised. While the people here are so good about giving to the building fund, they also pay their tithes. For the month of December the church paid over \$200 in

"Please pray for us here, and may God continue to bless you in your work for His Church."

May God bless this baby church and give it strength to grow and be a means of blessing to all who come under its influence.

Brother Colon Dunn wires that he has secured a new church with twenty-six members, pastor and property, all in the Church of God at Bayou Labatre, Alabama.

May God bless the new church that many souls may be won to God through (Continued on page 15)

THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

# Victory Over the World

By J. H. Walker General Overseer

Text, 1 John 5:4, "And this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." We see from this text that faith is the cause of the victory; the means, the instrument, the spiritual armor, and artillery by which we overcome. The text could read, "This is the victory, our faith that hath overcome the world."



Throughout all the writings of St. John, you can find constantly references as to overcoming. Then, in the book of Revelation, we read of "overcoming the wicked one." To the seven churches He makes promises to them that overcome. This pictures the

Christian life one of warfare, fighting against the mighty, perpetual, opposing forces. Yet St. John's ideal of the Christian life was not one of a feverish excitement and strain but it seems that he had learned even better than any of the other disciples the secret of the rest of faith. He knew what it was to abide under the shadow of the Almighty. We conclude from the life and teachings of St. John that he was not a man of restless energy, actively engaged in perilous conflicts. A man who wins must realize his weakness and know fully what it is to rest in divine guidance, for faith works in and by our love of God and Christ, and thus withdraws us from the love of the world. "This is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith."

What is the world? The term rendered world means proper arrangement and has reference more particularly to the universe of created things in its orderly and systematic confirmation, as opposed to the confusion of the original chaos. The term world became a brief title for all that which is not God, nor of God; all that is earthly, sensual, evil; all that tempts to sin; and all who live without God, apart from God, or are at enmity against God. In the apostles' time the term world, no doubt, meant the whole mass of human society with the exception of the handful here and there of those who had embraced Christian faith. The line of separation between the Christians and non-Christians was readily and sharply drawn with severe persecution. Hundreds of thousands of Christians being put to death on every hand could be seen, endorsed by society, as well as the most terrible evils and vices, the extravagance of luxury, and the awfulness of poverty and slavery on every

hand. The enemy was making inroads through the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life.

Today we live in quite a different world. There is little persecution. There are no Neros or Domitians on the world thrones, with their many thousands and thousands of cruel, brutish human beings, sitting in the arena watching the hungry lions devour the poor, innocent, suffering victims. Yet, we have a fight to face-perhaps a harder one-one with a less spectacular conflict, yet there is that wrestling. As Paul describes it, we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Here in the United States, our Government is based upon the principles of the Bible. Our officials, when they take the oath of office, declare the same upon the authority of God's Word. In assuming the greatest of all responsibilities of the various offices, including the greatest-that as President of the United States of America-they must declare that they will protect and defend our nation, and close their confirmations by saying, "So help me, God." I was greatly impressed with the prayer offered in behalf of the President immediately after his taking oath of office (every Christian should pray for him and all other rulers daily) in which he was commended to God in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. As that voice rang out through the corridors of the capitol of the greatest nation of earth, and travelled by radio to the greater nations around the globe, I thought, "Oh! what a tribute to our precious Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and yet, America, do you love Him as you

Unlike that of the disciples in earlier days who were faced on every hand by heathenish worship, Americans are considered Christians; and our nation has the worship of our Lord Jesus Christ throughout all its borders. Yes, the caring for the sick through the hospitals, caring for the insane and feeble-minded through our asylums and institutions for their care, and the care of orphan children -all of this, of course, is a great work, and a work that can be endorsed by the church, but doing these things is not making one a Christian. There is need of that definite faith-faith in God, for faith sanctifies the heart, purifies it of those sensual lusts by which the world obtains such a sway and dominion over souls. There must be that definite experience of being born again. Living in the land in which we now live and being associated with Christian people will, by no means, save the soul of the individual.

We are, indeed, very thankful for our blessed nation. We praise God for a nation, the laws of which are built upon the principles of the Word of God. We thank God for the flag and for all that it means to us today. It gives to us religious freedom and liberty and secures for us protection from the awful cruel persecutions Christians endured and suffered in the early centuries. Yet, we suffer criticism from those among us who do not understand. They gaze upon us with critical eyes. They make unbecoming remarks of us and our religion. Many times we feel slighted and unwelcome with the great mass of people; but there is within us that Blessed One who said, "Blessed are they that are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." When we feel the burden heavy, we look away from this world and "see Him who is invisible." We are able to cast our cares upon Him, for He careth for us. He said, "Fear not, for I am with thee." The world assails us by offering us a compromise, by appealing to our interests, our desires, our passions-trying to throw a magical spell over us as some bewitching, captivating, enchanting music-charm, which will lull us away from our sensibilities to the responsibilities about us. They say, "Religion is all right, but don't make a hobby of it. Let's take in the things about us, enjoy the pleasures and amusements of this life." The enemy is, of course, still attacking through the lust of the eye, the lust of the flesh, the pride of life; and one cannot overcome these things by human strength alone. It takes the mighty, inward urging influence of the precious Savior to overcome the battles with the world; but remember, "Greater is he that is in you than he that is in the world." 1

It seems, in one way, that the world has an attraction and power to overcome us through speed-everything in a hurry, rushing us on without sufficient time for meditation and prayer. The housewife finds herself busy in the morning with her household duties, preparing the children for school, then arranging the meals for the day, and doing the other housework. The children are soon in again from school. The day has gone by; and now after the evening meal, the children's lessons are to prepare. Thus, the whole day has gone by with little time for meditation and prayer; and, wearied, worn, and torn through the day, each one retires with but very little communion with God-but remember, Mother, re-

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State on "Spiritual Rebirth'

The Secretary of IT IS somewhat amusing, yet very consoling, to watch the trend of thought manifested by our great men of this nation. More and more they are coming to

realize that the religion of Christianity is the bulwark of democracy. Great men of the various churches, both by word of

mouth and by pen, are now endeavoring to arouse the people to a need of a revival of old time religion. But this trend is not alone confined to the church or church heads for not the least among these who have come out and out in the request that America turn to God is the Secretary of State, Cordell Hull. In January 16 issue of the Christian Advocate, the official Methodist weekly, we have given to us an article by Mr. Hull, in which he discusses "The Need of Spiritual Rebirth." The great need of such a message from such a great man

so attracted the attention of the editors of the Pathfinder that they sought permission to reprint excerpts from it, which was granted in the February 1 issue of that news weekly.

It should be both comforting and consoling to those of us who feel that much depends on our spiritual attitude as a nation, that such a great man should declare himself on such a vital subject, and that a paper with the circulation of the Pathfinder should give it wide publicity.

According to Pathfinder, Mr. Hull begins by pointing out that the world is in a crisis and the United States itself endangered because of the massed forces of lust for tyrannical power abroad. To meet that menace the nation is creating the material means of defense. "But," he adds, "more than that is needed; namely, an unshakable faith in the everlasting worth of freedom and honor, of truth and justice, of intellectual and spirit-

ual integrity, a triumphant faith in God." Without that faith, Hull declares, no material means of defense will suffice. With it we need fear no enemy outside or within our borders.

We need today a resurgence of spiritual purpose and moral stamina. We must rededicate ourselves to the service, the defense and the nurturing of freedom under justice and the law. Our homes, our schools, our churches, our leaders in every walk of life just inculcate this faith and this spirit.

Our churches particularly have an exceptionally important

role to play in this work of spiritual rebirth. The terrible misfortunes which are being visited upon mankind have been the result of a dangerous deterioration of standards of personal and of national conduct. We desperately need today a revival of religious fervor, a renewed humility before God in support of wholehearted adherence to high standards of individual and group behavior. However, Hull declares, the churches cannot do the job alone. Each and every one of us must search his mind and his heart for these signs of fatal weakness: First, doubt and unreasoning fear; second, cynicism and narrow selfinterest; third, complacency. Such soul-searching, says Hull, is the responsibility of each individual. Should we fail in that responsibility, he concludes, we would fail ourselves; we would fail the generation that went before us; we would fail the generations that are to come after us; we would fail man; we would fail God.

It is certain that spiritual rebirth is the only answer to a return of the true religion of Christ and our fathers. A mere scared-up profession which would cause people to go to church more regularly, join churches, be baptized, etc., without this new birth, would be of no avail, for man alone looks on the outward appearance. It is God that tries the heart, and we might be able to fool men but we cannot fool God. Now is the time for a wholesale turning to God with heart service and consecration of soul, mind, and body to Him.

The Music **Fight** 

The Persuasive Power of Judgment

Lord, have we waited for thee; the de-

sire of our soul is to thy name, and to

the night; yea, with my spirit within me

will I seek thee early: for when thy

judgments are in the earth, the inhabi-

tants of the world will learn righteous-

the remembrance of thee.

ness."-Isa. 26:8, 9.

"Yea, in the way of judgments, O

"With my soul have I desired thee in

A GREAT deal of significance has been attached recently to the fight between ASCAP (The American Society of Composers,

Authors, and Publishers) and BMI over the use of certain songs over the air. As we understand it. ASCAP is a union which controls a large number of the copyrights of patriotic, popular, and religious songs. The broadcasting systems have been obtaining a license from ASCAP for the use of these songs over the air. The radio systems felt that the prices were unreasonable and on the expiration of the 1940 license failed to renew, which placed them in a position that they could not use, over any of their stations,

songs owned and controlled by ASCAP. 'This resulted in the formation of BMI (Broadcast Music Incorporated) which is backed by the two major networks, NBC and CBS. BMI has furnished all music played on the air over NBC and CBS since the failure of the chains and ASCAP to get together on terms for a renewal of their contracts. Many of the publishers of religious music in the South, including the Tennessee Music & Printing Company, have given BMI free use of all their songs to be used in religious services over the air, or in other programs in which they desire to use them.

According to National Song Writers News, "Although certain publicity releases have indicated the chains would have to shut up shops without ASCAP, BMI has accumulated a library of more than 250,000 numbers, including both new tunes and arrangements of material now in public domain.

Certain religious editors have become quite alarmed over this situation and because certain religious songs are banned from the air by BMI, feel that it is the mark of totalitarianism and that sooner or later all religious songs will be thus banned, as well as religious programs. We do not share this opinion but realize that those songs are banned from the air by the broadcasting stations only as they are forbidden to use them by ASCAP which has formed a monopoly on certain of the old time religious songs, together with new ones that have been written

# The Unique, Spontaneous Gospel

Romans 1:16, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek."

Dear friends and readers, perhaps you think this subject title just a little cabalistic or fantastic, but I have selected the etymology of this subject to express and emphasize my vision of the gospel of Christ. I see a uniqueness in this gospel because, in the midst of many and various other gospels, there is none other like it: none other with the power, the beauty, and the glory; none other so effective and attractive. The gospel of Christ is the only gospel that can be translated into every language spoken and still mean the same thing. I see the gospel of Christ as it converts that acrimonious, antagonistic. and atrocious Paul of Tarsus into a sweetspirited, cool-headed, warm-hearted Christian. Tell me, if you please, where is another message that would convert such libertines? It is not to be found, and that is why the Christ gospel is unique.

Our text, in the language of the Apostle Paul, says the gospel of Christ is the POWER of God UNTO salvation. In other words, it serves as a motor for salvation. Of course a motor, according to Webster, is that which produces power or action, and what the motor means to an automobile is what the gospel means to salvation. When applied it starts salvation moving, but only toward those who believe. Now "salvation" is the great inclusive word of the gospel, gathering into itself all the redemptive acts and processes-justification, redemption, grace, propitiation, imputation, forgiveness, deliverance, safety, healing, soundness, sanctification, Holy Ghost, glorification, etc. Please think of this, of all the blessings and benefits derived from salvation, and God made all these wonderful provisions for the human family, it remains that the gospel of Christ set them in motion toward you and me, and all who will believe on the Lord Jesus Christ. Isn't that unique? It was so wonderful and so glorious that Paul, in Gal. 7:8, said, "Though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be ac-

This gospel is unique because of its prodigiousness. Jesus said preach it to every nation. He said more than that, preach it to every creature. Think of the gospel that reaches the other side of the world, into every home in the world, even to every creature in the world, regardless of nationality; and think of the gospel that motorizes salvation to every creature

BY T. W. GODWIN



in the world, the gospel-propelled salvation that is big enough to meet every need of the human family. Thank God there is none like it. Of course a salvation that is not propelled by the gospel of Christ is worthless and of none effect, and there are millions today who are just as cold as fourteen tons of ice, and as dry as an air-conditioned house, all because their salvation was not accepted on the terms of the gospel. In 2 Timothy 3:5, Paul speaks of a people having a form of godliness but denying the power thereof, but he said from such turn away. When you think you can arm up with this crowd and keep the victory, you are just as bad wrong as when you burnt your shirt. There is a separating line, and it is your business and mine to keep on the right side. If your crowd is morbid and melancholic, then you are on the wrong side. Why not step over on the side of fortitude and felicity, with this immuta-

Well, I see now that my limited vocabulary will not allow me to say what I see and feel in the gospel of Christ, but one other thing I have not yet philosophized and that is the self-action of the gospel. Of course the word "spontaneous" explains the self-action thus, an action from natural impulse, produced naturally by internal causes rather than by external influences. We sometimes refer to this self-action as being automatic, and so it is. When once applied it automatically sets your whole salvaged life in motion. It moves out the wrong and moves in the right, not according to what some folks say or think, but according to the Spirit of God. It makes no difference where you

are, when action is ordered you move. Many times you have no knowledge of it until it is over. It is spontaneous, the production of an internal cause and not an external influence. Yes, Brother; yes, Brother, don't you know what it is? It is that automatic gospel moving inside. Don't you feel it now? I feel it as I write these words. Spontaneous! No other message has ever caused me to feel this way.

If you would like to know how I feel, listen. I feel like I had just crawled out of a tub of honey, were sitting in the shade of an evergreen tree, and angels were throwing big red apples at me. Oh yes, this feeling comes from within, nothing on my part. Only apply this unique, spontaneous gospel and the feeling automatically comes. Like the little boy in school, when he whistled the teacher said, "Johnnie, why did you whistle?" Johnnie said, "I didn't whistle." The teacher said, "Oh yes, you did. I saw you and heard you. I know it was you." Johnnie said, "No, Teacher, I didn't do it, it just whistled itself." So it is with this gospel, when applied, it will just do it itself.

There was a time when Paul was absolutely ashamed of this gospel, but once he applied it to his life, we hear him say, "I am NOT ASHAMED of the gospel of Christ," Now this testimony automatically rendered itself. What this gospel did for Paul, it will do for every man who comes in contact with it; i. e., upon the conditions of faith. Of all our contention as to what the gospel will do, it only means this to the believer; note the text, "it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth." If you are an unbeliever, it certainly does not mean anything to you, only death. May God help us to believe and rightly apply the gospel of Jesus Christ. AMEN.

### PRAISE HIM FOR HIS POWER TO HEAL

APOPKA, Fla.—I take this opportunity to thank and praise the Lord for His goodness to me. Truly I praise Him for His power to heal. About three weeks ago He healed me of a severe headache I had had for about three days. I just laid the Evangel on in the name of Jesus and promised the Lord I would write and testify to it. He has done so much for me. Glory to His name.

My desire is to live for the Lord and be a blessing to others. Pray for my unsaved loved ones and that my home will be a home of prayer.—Pansy Beasley.

Truth is the exclusive property of no one, yet she can be the heritage of everyone who will seek after her.

### Question Box

Question: Matt. 2:1-14 says the wise man saw His star and came to worship Him. Luke 2:1-20 tells us that the shepherds were watching over their flocks by night, etc., and the shepherds came and worshipped Him. Are the shepherds and the wise men the same? If not, what about Matt. 2:13?—J. H. M.

Answer: The story of the wise men and that of the shepherds are not even closely related. The shepherds were in their fields adjacent to Bethlehem where the Christ was born. The wise men of the East made their journey to Jerusalem and made inquiry, then went from Jerusalem to Bethlehem. Matt. 2:13, "And when they were departed, behold the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt," etc. In all probability the shepherds came to visit Christ before the wise men arrived. Each Gospel writer tells his own story and some of the things that happened are included by one and left out by the other. All do not tell everything in detail but do tell stories in perfect harmony, hence the beauty of the harmony of the Gospels.

Question: Will you please explain verses 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, of the 6th chapter of Hebrews? Also please explain verse 26 of the 10th chapter of Hebrews.—Mr. and Mrs. W. E. D.

Answer: The question above has been one hard for people to understand in view of the fact that many who have made profession of Christianity have backslidden and have again professed to get back to the Lord. It must be noted that the spiritual experiences described in verses 4 and 5 are very high, once enlightened, tasted of the heavenly gift, made partakers of the Holy Ghost, tasted the good Word of God, and the powers of the world to come; if they shall fall away to renew them again unto repentance, seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh and put Him to an open shame. Just how far one can go in a Christian experience and then backslide without so endangering himself that there would be no opportunity to repent, is perhaps proclamatical. It is certain that here a danger line is drawn showing that one is treading on dangerous ground after having possessed a high experience with the Lord to then return to the beggarly elements of the world. He should be grateful to that which God has done and render the rest of his life a service to Him. In Heb. 10:26, the real thought is more clearly disclosed. Much

is said in the chapter about sacrifices of burnt offerings for sin, etc. During Old Testament times when people sinned against God it was necessary to sacrifice animals but here we are taught that Jesus is the supreme sacrifice, who suffered once for all and that when men sin wilfully there is no other sacrifice for sin, that once a man has had a knowledge of the truth, then he must accept. It is both a challenge to his faith and to his life, which is the after-effects of such faith in God. There is no scripture found any place which justifies backsliding, but rather there are those that condemn backsliding and set it forth as a dangerous and calamitous thing to do.

### Obituaries

#### WELLS

Mr. Clive Wells departed this life Jan. 15, 1941; age forty-one years.—Miss Lydia Bell Hickman, Kingsport, Tenn., Rt.

#### HALL

Sister Ella Hall, a faithful member of the Church of God at Vulcan, W. Va., departed this life Jan. 13, 1941; age fiftyfive years.—Her pastor, H. H. Tygart.

### WAMSLEY

Sister Lulu Wamsley, a faithful member of the Church of God at Bayard, W. Va., departed this life Jan. 21, 1941; age fifty-seven years.—M. K. Henry.

#### HILL

Mrs. Ella B. Hill, a faithful attendant at Mt. Vale Church of God, departed this life Jan. 19, 1941; age fifty-nine years. — Viola Kimbrough, Jefferson City, Tenn.

### LEWIS

Vina Lewis, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Lewis, departed this life Jan. 19, 1941 at the age of seven years, eight months and some days. Pray for the bereaved.—Dick Lewis, Brockdell, Tenn.

### **HUGHES**

Clyde Hughes of Somerset, Ky., departed this life Dec. 23, 1940; age twenty-one years and nine months. He was wonderfully saved a few days before his death. — A sister-in-law, Mrs. C. M. Hughes, Waycross, Ga.

### HUNTER

Sister Emma Hunter, a faithful member of the Church of God at Maple Grove, departed this life June 2, 1940.—Mrs. Nora Hunter, Rt. 1, Box 40, Morganton, Ga.

### Delkograms

By D. H. DELK

### Golden Text For February 16

"Be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, . . . ." Eph. 4:32.

Don't be unkind and toughhearted. Life is not just one great sacrifice in something big, but it is being kind to all in the little things of life.

Kindness is velvet. Unkindness is sandpaper. Use kindness on folks and you will have them longer. Kindness is a language the dumb can speak and the deaf can hear and understand.—Bovee.

Many would be good Samaritans if they did not have to furnish wine, oil, their own beast, and two pence.

In a good mother's tongue is the law of kindness. Prov. 31:26.

Charity suffereth a long time and still is kind. It will suffer the ignorance, errors, and failings of our brothers, also the scoffs, mocks and malice of the wicked, and yet be kind.

If you want to kill your enemy, shoot him with a big load of kindness. Yes, load your gun with good for evil. "Overcome evil with good."

What are we to live for if it is not to make life less difficult for others?—Elliott.

A little word or deed of kindness means so much to the weary and faint, and none of us are too poor to do this much. He that treads softly goes far.—Selected.

If your day is eighteen hours long, then see to it that your kindness is no shorter. The man who has a kind word for all will not need a brass band to draw mourners to his funeral.

One Monday a badly discouraged young man knocked at the parsonage of a minister, trying to sell books to go to college. The pastor was tired and worried with his ministry and his wife sick with a nervous headache. He did not have money to buy a book but took the young man in for three days and sent him out with renewed courage and energy. The young man made good later and said that the kindness showed him by the poor minister and his wife made him want to be what he thought to be the most noble thing in all the world—a Christian pastor.

Be ye kind one to another, even on Monday. You can't be kind with a tough heart. Tough meat is undesirable, so is a tough or hard heart. A tender heart is not little, stingy or unaffected at the sight of misery. Tears are not a sign of weakness and cowardice, but of boldness,

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### Letter From Robt. F. Cook

On board S. S. Pres. Harrison December 12, 1940

Dear Brother Walker:

We received your letter of Nov. 19 in San Francisco and appreciate so much your encouraging words. God is answering prayer thus far by giving us pleasant weather though we have some rough seas at times.

We cannot forget the good times we had with all you dear folks, and sweet memories will linger. We believe our visit with you was a profitable one. We emphatically say the Lord has led us all the way. We are returning to India with confidence that we have a wonderful body of people behind us, with both prayer and finances, so why should we not be encouraged? We are looking forward to a visit from you and Brother Tharp, because I know that this will make our bond so much stronger and by seeing, you will be convinced of the great work in India with its open doors of opportunities. If Brother Tharp cannot come, perhaps you can arrange to come alone.

Counting the families there are fifty-two on board going to mission fields. Some are of the Alliance, some of the M. E., etc., but most of them are Seventh Day Adventists and most of the latter are going to Africa, one couple going back after laboring there for thirty-two years. A number of new ones are going and what is their message? We know that much of it is error. We of the Church of God, with such a real glorious message, are only TWO. We are so sorry that not even the Frenches could be with

Oh, brother, may the Lord use you to stir up greater interest in the work of the foreign field so that the workers who have the call may get out to the needy fields before it is too late. Already doors are closing in some places. May we enter the ones already open and that SOON. In spite of obstacles the Adventists are sending out missionaries to Africa via this route, spending thousands of dollars to do so. One missionary on this boat told of how someone asked their society what they would do if this way closes and the reply was, "We will send them by clipper." To think the Church of God has

no one to hold the torch of truth in Africa!

We have interdenominational services on Sundays, led by four of us in turn, two Alliance missionaries, one of the M. E. and myself. The Adventists observe their Sabbath by having groups in different cabins but some of them attend our services. I have also had the privilege of witnessing to a Jew who seems open to the truth. He is a Zionist, going to Palestine.

Give our greetings to all the dear ones there. May the Lord continue to bless you more and more is our prayer.—Yours in His fellowship, Robert F. Cook.

### Report From Barbados

We thank God for the work He is doing among us. On the morning of December 22 at about 7:45 there assembled a company of our brethren and spectators to witness the baptism of six candidates in water, with the assistance of our deacon evangelist, Brother Rock, who conducted the spiritual exercises. The candidates are a part of the fruit of the revival held in September last and were received Sunday, Jan. 5, into fellowship and had the privilege of partaking with us of the Lord's Supper. Pray for us that this may be a year of more and faithful service, yielding greater returns to the Lord. -Bishop C. N. Ford.

### Report From Turks Island

To the brethren, sisters and friends of the Church of God, greetings. Peace and love be unto you from God our righteous Judge who does all things well.

I praise God for His goodness toward me. As I think over the many happenings in the world today, which come so strikingly to me, I consider the hardship of bringing souls to the Lord, and after bringing them in then to keep them in store for the Lord and from all the temptations and trials, yet I feel encouraged to press on for the distance is not as long as it has been and the shout will soon be heard, so we are brightening up where we are and the Lord is blessing us.

We put on a revival one week. We had to stop as most all the saints were hoarse. This revival was between Kew

and Whitby. Two were added to the church at Kew and one at Whitby. Many saw the light and were strengthened. "He that waiteth on the Lord shall renew his strength." The Lord was in our midst. Most every meeting night the house is packed to the door, with many on the outside, and as the Word goes out to them we can see the interest increasing. In Whitby we had to leave the church house where the people will not visit, so we went to Brother E. T. Musgrove's home where the people will come to hear the Word. We had an altar call for all the ministers first, then one for the members. One was saved that night and she came to Kew the next night where she received the Holy Ghost on her way to the home where she slept that night. The next day she returned to Whitby with a new touch of fire in her soul. Praise His name.

All who read this, please remember the end is nearing so let us hold out faithful to our promise, that when the Lord makes His appearance in the sky we won't be ashamed of His coming. We are still depending on the Lord through you for our spiritual help.

Please pray that the Lord will open the way for us to get some glasses. My wife is using a borrowed glass and I have one tied together with twine. Both of us are suffering with dim eyesight. God bless you all. Amen.—A. W. Rigby, overseer of Turks Island, B.W.I.

### Redeemed

It gives me great pleasure to be able to tell that Jesus saved a sinner like me. I once was without a Savior, but praise God, redeemed is now my song. I praise God that I can give a shout of praise to know that He still liveth, helping me to have an amount of peace and joy within my heart in this old troublesome world. I am so glad to know that some people here are getting ready to meet Jesus in the air. I am expecting to be there to share the joys which await the faithful. Pray for us at Bethel View that we may always be up and doing. Also pray for our present pastor, Bishop C. A. Morris. Truly we can say that he is helping us to get ready to be in that number which John saw as the sand of the sea. Truly

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The faculty and student body of the Church of God Bible Training School at Sevierville, Tennessed and a small portion of the girls' dormitory at the left. This is a banner year for the Bible Training

### Bible School and Why I Am Here

BY MRS. HENRIETTA AYRE GREEN

"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy path."—Prov. 3:5, 6.

The above verses have been my rule ever since I was saved, so this is the real reason I am in Bible School today.

While doing part-time work at the Cherokee Hotel in 1930, I ran an ad in the Cleveland paper stating that I would teach classes in shorthand and typing. It seemed to me that the first issue of the paper was scarcely off the press when Brother J. H. Walker came to my office. After introducing himself he said, "I have been praying for several days that God would lead me to someone who could establish and teach a Commercial Department in our school, and when I opened the paper just now, the first thing I saw

was your ad."

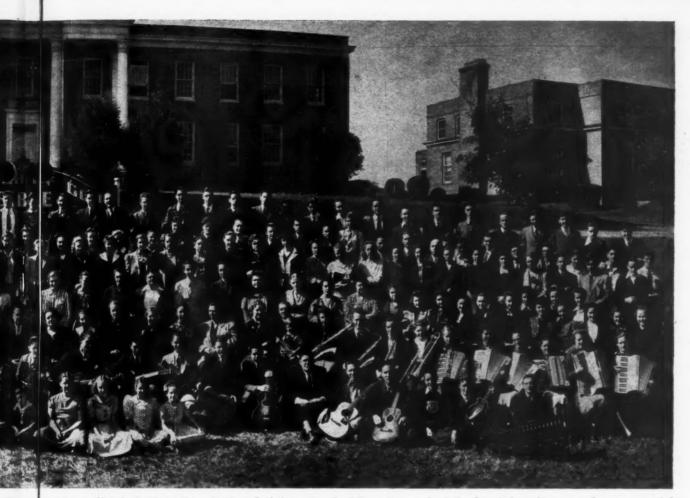
So I began teaching in Bible School in the afternoons. The work was so enjoyable and interesting that I resigned my position at the Cherokee and opened a school of my own, which I taught in the mornings.

Later I took unto myself a husband and we purchased a small plot of ground and built a house. My husband worked in a foundry and I taught. We were as happy as could be when a strike caused him to lose his job in the foundry, for he did not join C. I. O.

Then there was talk of the school moving to Sevierville. Superintendent Tharp said he did not feel that he could offer me enough to justify my leaving my school and my home and coming to Sevierville, so I began a campaign for the enlargement of my school; but this met with defeat on every side. Finally, I was notified that I would have to vacate the building my school was in, as it was to be torn down in four weeks. A friend

was with me when I received this notice. She said that the bad news did not seem to worry me very much, to which I replied: "There is no place in the life of a Christian for worry."

Each day, I would try to find a new location for my school but none was obtainable in the business or residential district of Cleveland. Finally, one day after meeting with defeat on all sides, I said, "Lord, if you want me to continue my school here you will have to make a place for it. But if you want me to do other work I am ready for it." With this thought in mind, I stopped at a gas station to fill my Ford. To my surprise Brother Denson pulled up beside me and said that he had been trying all day to find me, that Brother Tharp wanted to see me. The next morning I told Brother Tharp I would come to Sevierville on the lowest salary I had received since the first year after I graduated from college. But salary did not seem so important as it had one time in my life, for I felt that I



Tennessee. Immediately back of them is the administration building. One end of the boys' dormitory can be seen at right ible Training School in every way. The enrollment is the largest since it was founded in Cleveland, Tenn., January 1, 1918.

was obeying the voice of God by coming to Sevierville.

By this time my husband was working on my father's farm, so all that remained was to close my school and rent my house. The typewriters were taken to the Publishing House to be brought to Sevierville. These were later sold to the school. The other furniture was stored in our garage and attic. Five tables were given to Bible School last summer and Brother Tharp brought them up in a trailer.

About a week before I was to come to Sevierville, the friend whom I mentioned above, told me that her brother wanted to rent my house. They moved in a week after we moved out. So you see, the Lord literally drove me here. He closed the road behind me and opened it up in front.

Of course, I had heard about the excellent property the Church was buying in Sevierville for the school, but as we approached the grounds, I decided that the "half had not been told." The location and buildings were simply ideal, and there is ample space for future expansion.

Then when we met in chapel the first day of school, the heavens opened and great showers of blessings fell upon every one, and they are still coming down.

During the past twenty years, I have worked with a great many people under greatly varied circumstances, but I have never been treated with so much courtesy and consideration anywhere else as I have in Bible School. Nor have I taught in a school where there is so much cooperation as we have here.

During the past two years, educators, friends, and relatives have tried to get me to go back to public schools or to the Government, but I feel that God brought me here and I hope to stay until He takes me elsewhere in this world or calls me to a better one.

### The Principal Textbook

From the annals of Church of God history "The Trumpeter" produces the fol-

lowing quotation:

"This school shall be for the training of young men and women for efficient service on the field. The Bible shall be the principal textbook but such literary work as is necessary and music shall be included in the course."

If the delegates of the Thirteenth Annual Assembly praised God when these words were read by the chairman of the committee for the consideration of a Bible School, how much greater should be the praise of 83,000 members of the Church of God of today? 1917 merely gave birth to the plan and purpose; 1941 reveals the realization of the plan, still prompted by that divine purpose.

Through the years the Bible has remained the "principal textbook." One of the most impressive scenes at B. T. S. today is the assembling at nine o'clock in the morning for chapel. The cares of this world and the deceitfulness of its riches

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## LEAVES FROM THE FIG TREE

An Interpretation of Current Events in the Light of Holy Prophecy

'Now, learn a parable of the fig tree: when his branch is yet tender and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh," Matt. 24:32.

By JUDGE SULLIVAN

The public debt limitation was set many years ago at forty-five billion dollars. That amount, of course, would constitute an enormous indebtedness for any nation. Recently the limit was raised to forty-nine billion. Now, a bill is pending, which will undoubtedly pass, raising the debt limit to sixty-five billion dollars. Estimating the national population at one hundred and thirty million people, that will place an obligation of five hundred dollars on the head of every man, woman and child in the nation. THE END IS NOT YET. The only thing to be gained from noticing these things is the fact that affairs are in a serious condition. Hectic, chaotic, tangled! "PERILOUS" is the

A recent article by Damon Runyon is worthy of serious thought in that it portrays present world conditions. "It is only some fifty-odd years ago that this nation was highly scandalized by plural marriage or polygamy as practiced by the Mormons of Utah. The situation of Mormon gentlemen living with a number of wives simultaneously had the good ladies and many of the good gentlemen of other sections of the country by the ears. It called for congressional action and prosecution as well as extreme persecution of the participants in wholesale marriage when the marriages ran concurrent. The practice was finally wiped out, which was undoubtedly for all the best, especially as our civilization was EVOLVING THE MUCH MORE CONVENIENT SYSTEM NOW IN VOGUE. THIS PERMITS A GENTLEMAN TO MAR-RY, TWO, THREE, FOUR, FIVE, OR EVEN SIX OR SEVEN TIMES AS HE MAY ELECT, though of course he cannot occupy the office of husband to all his wives at the same time." I have quoted enough for all to see the meaning of this timely essay. Written, as Runyon's stuff generally is, in a humorous vein, it nevertheless points a moral. "AS IT WAS IN THE DAYS OF NOAH," ETC.

All our people are agreed that labor is wholly entitled to retain all the progress they have gained through the years. However, the production vital to national defense must be kept going in full force.

There are so many strikes now in progress and so many threats of further strikes that the federal labor conciliators are kept extremely busy at this crucial time. The saddest feature of all is the wide schism in the ranks of labor itself. Several recent articles bring out the thought that Communism is responsible for the foment of troubles and discontent. Be that as it may be, their prolonged wrangling with factory management will inevitably lead to forced or conscripted labor. It simply adds to the PERILOUSNESS OF THE TIMES.

The Government recently ordered 4,500,000 identification tags to be used by the military personnel of the country. We all remember only too well what they were for in the last war. They were used, largely, to identify the dead. It seems, to this writer, to have a prophetic meaning. While every one says that the purpose of the draft, the purpose of speedy manufacture of munitions of war is for the sole purpose of keeping us out of the war, yet the identification tags are ordered. Let us not deceive ourselves on that score. Our President hopes, sincerely, to keep us out of war, but the clouds are

There is some talk, from high quarters, of a "negotiated peace" with neither side the winner. In my humble opinion, such a peace is highly impossible. The war is not necessarily between two or more nations. IT IS A WAR TO THE FINISH BETWEEN TWO ORDERS. EITHER DEMOCRACY OR DICTA-TORSHIP MUST GO. There is not room enough in the small world of today for the two systems to exist side by side. It is well known that power once gained by dictators is never relinquished. Lover's of freedom will never willingly abandon democracy. THE TWO SYSTEMS OR ORDERS MUST AND WILL FIGHT. GOD'S WORD DECLARES THE WIN-NER.

According to reports from W.C.T.U. headquarters, liquor is being sold in 437,-000 retail stores. We have one retail liquor license for every 300 residents, 11 saloons for every 5 churches, one tavern

or liquor bar for every 71 homes. Our booze bill for 1939 (conservatively estimated) around \$3,228,491,968. For the 81 months from April 6, 1933, to January 1, 1940, we've spent some \$20,165,-850,226 on liquor. It is more by \$2,297,-046,226 than the government expenditures for public relief from 1933 to 1939. The entire federal debt of approximately \$44,000,000,000.00 could have been wiped out with the money the people spent for liquor and indirect results since repeal. (VOICE). This amazing bit of statistics is sufficient to bring the wrath of God upon this entire country. Another positive proof that the people of America and the entire world are "LOVERS OF PLEASURE MORE THAN LOVERS OF GOD."

TIME, issue of February 3, carries under the heading of RELIGION a very timely article about the trend of the Christian ministry in the present world crisis. Whereas, at the outbreak of the present war, the great majority of the ministry of all faiths were opposed to entry into the war or our participation by forwarding supplies to any of the warring nations. TODAY THAT PICTURE HAS CHANGED AND THE MINIS-TRY HAS ASSUMED A VERY WAR-LIKE ATTITUDE. Speaking for the Episcopalians, in response to a question asked by TIME, The Right Reverend Henry St. George Tuckerm, Presiding Bishop, said, "It is my personal belief that most Episcopal clergymen . . . now feel we should give as much aid to the British as they need, and if it is necessary TO TAKE THAT LAST STEP AND GO TO WAR WE SHOULD DO IT." Rev. William Ellery Sweet, Moderator of the Congregationalist Church, said, "The average Congregationalist minister believes that the issues at stake now are more important than those of the last war. If it becomes increasingly apparent that Britain is likely to lose out, even the more pacifistic in the church WOULD FAVOR OUR ENTERING THE WAR." The same article reveals that "thirty-one ministers, seminary students and laymen who refused to register for the draft are now in jail, with about (Continued on page 14)

## Requests For Prayer

Editor's Note: Notices of requests for prayer intended for publication on this page should be for healing. Requests will be accepted for those making them for themselves or for their family connection. It is better to make your request specific rather than to include several in one. The Evangel desires to be of the most good to the most people and desires that every inch of its space be used advantageously.

PRAY FOR-

My little girl to be healed of the flu.
—Mrs. Dloris Vinson, Rt. 2, Ochlochnee,
Ga.

The healing of Della Hill and Mary Lewis.—Dick Lewis, Brockdell, Tenn.

The healing of a young man who is very ill.—Mrs. Ollie West, Box 617, Broderick, Calif.

Me to be healed of stomach trouble, pellagra and kidney trouble.—Mrs. Ben Coram, Rt. 1, Ramhurst, Ga.

My son to be healed of indigestion.— Mrs. D. L. Wing, evangelist, Box 116, Leesburg, Fla.

The healing of my body.—Hattie K. Martin, Mt. View, Ark.

My sister who had a paralytic stroke to be healed.—Mrs. Hazel Barker, Covington, La.

Me to be healed of some kind of fits, the doctors say it is epilepsy; unspoken request.—Joseph Arrington, Rt. 1, Matthews, Ga.

The healing of a young man at Keensville, Fla., of arthritis; Brother H. N. Thompson to be healed of high blood pressure.—S. R. Williams, Box 1, Sebastian, Fla.

The healing of my body and head.— Mrs. Joe Lewis, Kenvir, Ky.

The healing of my little grandson of goitre; the healing of my husband, the doctors say he has T.B.—Mrs. Nervie Sexton, Abingdon, Va.

The healing of my afflicted child.— Rev. W. T. Truett, 1718 Elm, Toledo, O.

My uncle to be healed of cancer of the stomach and bad eyes; my little girl's eye to be healed; the healing of my body.—Mrs. Susie Gray, Rt. 2, Box 119-A, Nicholls, Ga.

The healing of my body of eczema; the healing of my wife's foot.—H. R. Law, 404 W. Scott St., Kirksville, Mo.

Me to be healed of sleeping trouble; my mother to be healed of asthma, heart trouble, kidney trouble, catarrh of the stomach, etc., also her eyesight is bad.—Mrs. Verner J. Clements, Rt. 2, Northport, Ala.

My father to be healed of something like high blood pressure which seems to be affecting his mind.—A friend, Chattanooga, Tenn.

The healing of my body, I have been down five weeks with asthma.—Maggie Lemaster, Gen. Del., Snyder, Okla.

My mother to be healed; Brother Tom Johnson's grandchild who is severely burned to be healed.—Rev. H. L. Kitchen, Kimberly, Ala.

The Lord to heal our little baby who has a breaking out on its face and head.

—Mrs. J. L. Anderson, Rt. 1, Box 94, Odum, Ga.

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The healing of my left eye.—Sister Elijah Fraley.

My mother who is very ill with heart trouble to be healed.—Mrs. Van Buckner, Rhodhiss, N. C.

The healing of my back and side.— Mrs. Oda Couch, Hazard, Ky.

Me to be healed of kidney trouble.— C. W. Kendall, Rt. 2, Red Bay, Ala.

My wife to be healed of nervousness.

—J. B. Holcomb, Fries, Va.

Me to be healed of something like heart trouble and head trouble.—Mrs. Edith Sterling, Westernport, Md.

My mother to be healed of leg trouble and other ailments.—Mrs. Luvenia Read, clo E. S. Raines, Folsom, La.

The Lord to undertake in our home.

—Sister Gladys Carter, 1240 Convention
St., Baton Rouge, La.

Me to be healed of a soreness and pain around my left lung, I haven't been over the flu long.—Mrs. Van D. McCullough, 86 E. Gage St., Memphis, Tenn.

My mother to be healed; the healing of my body.—Mrs. Liddie Edmonds, Whittle, Ky.

The healing of my body.—Mrs. W. O. Tucker, Whittle, Ky.

The healing of a friend who is in a very bad condition with heart trouble and dropsy.—W. D. Kendall, Bruce, Miss.

The healing of J. N. Milligan's eye.— Bessie Milligan, Herod, Ill.

God to heal my body, I have a bad cough and bad smothering spells.—Mrs. L. E. Charlies, Rt. 1, Leoma, Tenn.

My husband to be healed of severe headache trouble, he can't go much further without help; me to be healed of what I suppose is cancer.—Mrs. Loy Rudy, Toccoa, Ga.

My complete healing.—Mrs. Della Foster, Rt. 1, Alabama City, Ala.

My son who has T.B. and is in the state sanatarium at Orlando, Fla., to be healed. His address is Theron Coleman, Box 2040, Orlando, Fla.—Della Coleman, McAlpin, Fla.

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The healing of my baby.—Mrs. Albert
Shephard, Nunez, Ga.

The healing of my sister who is in bad health.—Kate Stowe, Manatee, Fla.

My mother's health to be completely restored; the healing of her body; my brother's wife to be healed.—W. L. Clinton, Bainbridge, Ga.

The healing of a sister's baby who is very sick.—Isabelle Lantz, Millersburg, Pa.

My daughter who has a bad thumb, which I think is a bone felon, to be healed.—Mrs. Abner A. Smith, Rt. 1, Loretto, Tenn.

The healing of Brother Cranford Oliver who is very low with T.B.—Mrs. Enoch Jamison, Alarka, N. C.

The healing of a very dear friend's eyes.—Mrs. John Hood, Greenville, S. C.

The healing of my body.—Mrs. L. Rasmussen, Rt. 4, Box 76, Selma, Ala.

The healing of my son in the Ft. Knox, Ky., hospital. His name is Vardaman Dyson.—Mrs. Susie Dyson, Darlove, Miss.

The healing of my body.—Mae Freeman, Rt. 1, Fyffe, Ala.

### Wonderful Love

RED BAY, Ala.—My Redeemer liveth and will always hear and answer prayer for those who come to Him with an earnest heart. Our baby has just begun to get up from pneumonia, but the Lord has been so good to us I can't praise Him enough for His wonderful love. I have also been sick in bed but by the power of God I am up again.—Rev. C. W. Kendall, Rt. 2.

# Reports From the Field

### By the Help of God We Won the Victory

EMMETT, Idaho. - Dear Evangel Readers, greetings in the name of Jesus. I have never written to the Evangel before but look forward to its coming each week. There are so many good things in it, it stirs my soul and makes me more determined to fight the battle for Jesus. How I praise God for victory and what He is doing here in Emmett, Idaho. We have had a terrible fight here but, praise the Lord, He has given us fourteen members. We set the church in order in September with eight members and six have been added since. Several others are about ready to join.

We are having meetings and Sunday School in a private home as there is not any empty buildings here to get for worship, but we have our lot and piano purchased and have our building fund, planning to start on a building for the Church of God as soon as it gets warm enough

to run the foundation. When we started the revival last fall, we had quite a congregation till we started preaching sanctification, then they started fighting us. They would not come and hindered others, but oh, how God did bless. He certainly did put His approval on the meeting in power and demonstration, although it rained most of the time and turned cold, also the boys cut the tent and one man across the street turned on his radio full blast to keep from hearing us. This was quite a disturbance but we kept on and by the help and grace of God won the victory.

We certainly have a humble and sweet overseer and we love him and intend to cooperate with him in every way we know how. We are planning big things here this summer for the Church of God. if He tarries. We have several calls for meetings but we will have to stay here till we complete the work for God and His Church. Pray for us, that we will be centered in the will of the Master.-G. W. Gifford and wife, Rt. 1.

GRAYSON, La.-We praise God for sending us our state overseer and Brothers Nolen and Toler, also the young preachers who came. We are so glad to have them with us. We have been praying for a long time for this place. We feel like the Lord has blessed us and we can't praise Him enough. We want you to pray for this place and to send our good brothers back again.-Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Stamper.

almost gone down when Brother R. H. Tadlock came to pastor. Now the church is better, spiritually. Brother Tadlock has ceiled and floored our new church. He surely is a worker for the Lord. He started a revival last night. Everyone who reads this please pray for our success.-Melda Hurt.

> MOBEETIE, Tex.-We got on our field of labor late on account of the death of our father, and other hindrances, but the Lord is blessing in a wonderful way. We just closed a two weeks' revival. The Lord met with us in a wonderful way. Some prayed through to different experiences and the church was built up and wonderfully encouraged to go on with the Lord. We have gone over the top with our ten-cent per member aged ministers' fund and are working on our mission

### WARNING!!! Please Be Advised

Some of our people are still being defrauded by representatives proposing to give free song books by securing ads from business firms.

Please remember our ruling of the General Assembly, "That the churches refrain from allowing advertising schemes, such as song books, fans, pencils and other commodities as are used by professional advertising agents, except when same is under the supervision of the local pastor and state overseer, and when such advertising is done all money collected must be turned over to the local church treasury." 33rd Assembly, page 137, 5th paragraph, 1940 Minutes .-J. H. Walker, General Overseer.

quota. But that is not all vet, we got in the two weeks' revival thirteen Evangel subscriptions and renewals. We just lack two more having our twenty-five per cent membership. So we are just about to get ready for the race of reward for the \$20.00 prize for Texas. Look out, folks, we are in the race.-G. E. Anthony, pastor, Rt. 1.

SETH, W. Va.-God surely is blessing here at Seth. We came here after the Assembly last fall and found a good band of saints. They surely have a mind to work. They bought over two hundred dollars' worth of new furniture for the parsonage. We surely appreciate their good cooperation. God is blessing in our services. Some nights the power falls in such a wonderful way the Holy Ghost takes charge of the services and we don't have to preach. RICHMOND, Ky.—Our church had I surely appreciate the real power of God

and praise the Lord for the good fellowship you can feel in the church here. We began a revival Nov. 1, which continued for four weeks. There was much good done. Ten were saved, four sanctified, two filled with the Holy Ghost, six baptized in water and three added to the church. We closed the meeting with both men and women seeking God. We also had a communion service, which was enjoyed by all very much and the church is greatly revived. Pray for the work here, that God will continue to bless and that this will be a real year for the saving of souls .- Jessie Mae Rose, Comfort, W.

### Cooperation and Sweet Fellowship Prevalent

We are glad to write a word or two of the cooperation and sweet fellowship we have with the saints in Harrisburg, Ill. As their pastor, I feel it's due them for the respect to Brother King and me. Harrisburg saints love the gospel. Yes, I've found some loyal Church of God material there. Evangel reader, if every church will stand by its pastor as Harrisburg saints do, it will be a pleasure for the minister to work this year. After all, it pays to live good and walk in the Bible way. Yes, our folks will say after the message, "Sister King, that's fine; we love the doctrine." Brother, sister, if you don't take your pastor by the hand, let him know how you enjoy the message, you, no doubt, leave him or her to wonder-Do my folks enjoy what I say? Come on now, everybody likes a wee bit of notice once in a while. Church member, you won't spoil your pastor by being too good to him; we are all human, and let's try to be more thoughtful towards our leader. God bless you all.

Yes, and for a wee word for our willing workers. Say, I thank God for good women who will work to keep the expenses up. I wish you folks who read this could taste the good doughnuts Harrisburg Willing Workers make. Are they good! Oh yes, we couldn't leave our brothers out of this boost; they are all trying to march in line with the teaching of the General Assembly. All I desire of you who read this is, Pray that God will help me to be an example to my people. Brother King and I have our whole heart in the work at Harrisburg, Ill.

Yes, we praise God for our state overseer, Brother H. O. Harris, and his precious wife. God bless you both. And, we thank God for our radio work here in the southern part of Illinois.

We again ask you to pray for Illinois, and especially that each saint will keep holding on, trust God. Heaven is cheap at any cost. God bless everybody.-Sister

### Coffeyville, Kans., District Fellowship Meet

COFFEYVILLE, Kans.-Truly, we thank and praise the Lord for the way He is blessing in Kansas this year. We went to Independence Monday night, Jan. 13, to the Coffeyville district fellowship meeting, where the Lord wonderfully met us in a glorious way. Our beloved state overseer, Brother Wilma Henry, opened the service with a call to prayer. Then Brother Eason, our district pastor, took the lead. Brother Messer, the Independence pastor, who is a precious man of God gave the welcome address. Our beloved Coffeyville pastor, whom we all love, gave a wonderful talk under the anointing. His precious wife sang, "Mother's Bible." The Coffeyville quartet and the Neodesha quartet sang for us. In one especially, "Won't It Be Wonderful There," God came down in a gracious way. Brother Durbin, Brother Campbell, Brother Conness, Sister Conness, Brother House, Sister Kyser, Brother Rahl, Brother Volk, and Brother Hinman all gave some wonderful talks under the anoint-

It certainly was uplifting to everyone. A number were there with stringed instruments, and played. Sister Henry read a mission letter from France and Brother Henry gave a talk on missions, which was wonderful, and took an offering for missions. God certainly did bless in a blessed way throughout the entire service, for which we give Him great praise. The house was full, and such a sweet spirit hovered over.—Cora Crossman, 108½ E. 9th St.

### Worcester, Mass., Calling For Prayer

WORCESTER, Mass.—We praise God for the way He has been blessing us in our work. We know He has far greater things in store for us. If the Lord tarries, we are planning on an all-day meeting Feb. 23, 1941, which will be followed by an old-fashioned gospel campaign. Our state overseer, Brother Stewart Brinsfield, will be with us for a while and our beloved Brother Edwin Tull will conduct the campaign under the leadership of the Holy Ghost.

As pastor of the church, I wish to make a strong appeal to the saints of God that you make it a definite point to pray that God will give us young blood in the Church of God here in Worcester, Mass. Our church deeply appreciates the response that has been given to us in the sending of Lighted Pathways and Evanbels to the pastor. May God bless every one who has taken part in this program.

—Brother Gerald Searles, 757 Main St.

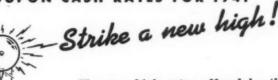
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Victory Over the World (Continued from page 3)

gardless of the cares of this life, you must not be too careful and troubled about many things and much serving. There is but one thing that is needful. That Mary chose-that good part that should not be taken away from her. We must all call a halt and take time for prayer and meditation. Fellow minister, precious men of God, heads of families throughout our nation, remember that time for prayer is very necessary. It is through faith that we overcome. The text states, "This is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God. We need to study that precious word, increase our faith to take hold of the blessed promises of God, and strengthen our souls so that we may have victory. We are either overcoming the world or the world is overcoming us. It is just like being in a boat out in the stream. We are either going upstream against the current, fighting daily, fighting hard; or we are drifting with the current, going on to the dangerous, destructive waterfalls.

Faith is the conquering principle in religion. Faith is that energizing, vitalizing power that overcomes the world, the worldly spirit, with its carnal aim, countless temptations and unholy methods. In the hall of fame of faith, the eleventh chapter of Hebrews, we are told of great outstanding characters who had faith in almighty God-men as Noah, Abraham, Jacob, Joseph, Moses. Think of Abraham! When he was called to go out into a place which afterwards he should receive for an inheritance, he obeyed and went out, not knowing where he went. It was by faith that Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter. It was faith he chose, "rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season." It was by faith that he esteemed the "reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt." Faith made men strong, courageous, and capable of daring exploits. Through faith common m e n subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword. Thank God! By faith men still overcome temptations, endure cruel mockings and scourging, bear privations and tortures, discharge duties, lay aside besetting faults and sins achieve the mastery over themselves and all their enemies.

Notice the text implies the present tense — "victory that overcometh the world." Jesus said, "In the world we have tribulation, but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world." These statements were made just before He suffered death at the hands of the cruel Romans.

He was then dwelling, as it were, in the shadow of the cross. This was before the great conflict had really begun. He had the victory. He saw, in the future, anticipated joy. He knew that He had virtually conquered already, prior to the great hour of tribulation that was to come upon Him. He had conquered the world. Why should He be depressed? He had conquered and was, and is, the pledge of final victory, to everyone who is bought by His blood. The world, therefore, is a conquered world. It will, to the end of time, have to acknowledge one total defeat. Thank God! Jesus conquered the world, and we through Him can have complete victory. This is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.

Faith does not imply that we must be in battle array against an enemy that is constantly approaching, but it says that faith is the victory itself. It does not bid us to marshall our forces against the world. It does not even command us to contend with this or that. It does require us to have faith. Faith causes us to see that invisible world at hand, with which this cruel world is not worthy to be compared. It places before the soul the eternal realities-heaven and hell, life and death; the influence of prayer; the ministration of angels, the watchful love of an overruling Providence; and above them all, and in them all, the incarnate Savior, uniting man and human nature to the eternal God-Father, Son, and Ghost-three in one, and one in three. With this association ever with us, we have complete victory.

When we look on the surface of this troubled world, what a sad, dark picture comes before us-the awful wars, bloodshed, destruction of homes and lives, separation of loved ones; the torturing pains of hunger, starvation, and lingering death; the possibility of the destruction of democracies which have stood for religious freedom and the worship of God according to the dictates of our conscience. But then we look up, as did Paul after the ship had been tossed to and fro for nearly two weeks in the mighty, stormy deep, and after they had thrown overboard all the excessive weight and it looked as if no one could be saved, yet Paul said, "Wherefore, sirs, be of good cheer, for I believe God that it shall be even as it was told me." Through it all we are expecting just what Jesus has promised, and He said that He would come again.

May we, dear saints, keep that victory—faith that is victory, faith that overcometh the world, faith that will give pleasure in serving God in the face of all opposition. You know what I mean. Let us keep the victory! All who have the victory will keep working as if this were the last year—and who knows but that this is the last? As I close these words, I feel victory bubbling over in my soul—vic-

tory, yes, victory! Praise God for the victory! Real, genuine victory, this victory, our faith that overcometh the world! Amen!

### Leaves From the Fig Tree

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twenty others awaiting trial." I desire to quote one more eminent churchman, Dean Luther Allan Weigle, President of the Federal Council of Churches. Dean Weigle said: " . . . I believe personally that victory for the present German Government would be disastrous to mankind; that aid to Britain is necessary. ABOVE ALL, I AM CONVINCED THAT AMERICA MUST REPENT OF SELFISH ISOLATION, AND MUST ASSUME ITS FULL SHARE OF OUR COMMON RESPONSIBILITY FOR A JUST AND ENDURING PEACE." How, my dear Dean, can America assume that full responsibility you urge without entering the war as an active belligerent? I don't want to be a crepe hanger nor a pessimist, but I can see no hope for peace, especially a "lasting and enduring peace," until cometh the Prince of Peace. For Jesus' sake, pray for all those young men. They seem mighty fine and grand to have to die without God.

### Mission Page

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he is really a hard spiritual worker over in Jamaica. Please pray for me that I may stand in the center of God's will, standing as Ruth of old, that when the Lord shall call I will be ready to go.—Anieta Morant, Bethel View, James Hill District, Jam., B. W. I.

**Greetings From Bermuda** 

Dear Evangel brothers and sisters in the Lord, holy greetings from our little church at Warwick. We are still progressing in spirit, still having good meetings. Although small in number, we are determined, come what may, to push ahead. The children had a nice program on Christmas night, and every one afterwards received a gift. Much to our regret Brother P. Horton has left us, but through his going he can explain how we lack in help. Pray much for Bermuda and that the work may never go down.—Cecily Bean, Warwick, East Bermuda.

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power, and the right kind of a heart—a
tender, broken, contrite one.

"Jesus wept." His heart was not hard, as a hard, tough heart will not "weep with them that weep" from an earnest tender heart. Paul says, "I tell you even weeping." If your heart is tough, boil it some in fervent love.

Love is loveliest when embalmed in tears.—Scott.

Good English and eloquence are fine but I can do more good with a few tears from a tender heart. O Lord, give me a learned (not long) tongue that I may know how to speak a word in season to the weary. See Isa. 50:4.

### **Notes From My Letters**

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their efforts there.

"We are in a good meeting here at Jasonville, Indiana. Thirteen saved the first week."—News from Brother M. M. Mortenson.

### Hudson Chapel Shining For God

HUDSON CHAPEL, Miss.—I praise the Lord for being saved, sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost and a member of the great Church of God, which is the pillar and ground of the truth. Almost three years ago the Lord sent Brother Grady May and his family into our community with the light of the Holy Ghost and the Church of God and our church at Hudson Chapel was organized with about twenty members. The Lord is still blessing, for we now have fifty-two members and a comfortable building with a nice piano. We have good singing and a good Sunday School. Brother D. L. Barnett is our pastor and we like him fine. He conducted a short revival in which the Lord blessed in a wonderful way. Three were reclaimed and two added to the church. This place is rising and shining for God. Sometimes the Holy Ghost takes charge in a wonderful way. Saints are made to rejoice and sinners are convicted. Pray for us .- Mrs. Jannie Dickerson, Rt. 2, Box 108, Union, Miss.

## Fellowship Meeting Held at Slaton, Tex.

The Church of God at Slaton, Tex., met Jan. 19 for a fellowship meeting. We can say it was a success. The dear Lord blessed. There was shouting, dancing, talking in tongues and some of that good old fine Church of God preaching. Our district overseer brought a good message on following the Lord and we were made to feel the need of a closer walk with God.

Since coming to Slaton since the Assembly God has surely been good to us. We went to work and now we are over the top with all of the quotas for the year. We truly thank the Lord for His goodness to us. We ask all to pray that God will keep His hand over us.—Jack Gilbert, pastor, Slaton, Tex.

## Reports of Revivals

### Pentecostal Landslide

MATOAKA, W. Va.—We really praise the Lord for the wonderful revival just closed at the Church of God at Weyanoke, W. Va. It started Sunday night after Christmas and closed Jan. 29, four and a half weeks.

Our dear pastor was in charge, assisted by Brothers J. A. Asbury and H. W. Minor. Each message was brought under the mighty anointing of the Holy Ghost and the altar was filled with hungry seekers from the very first service. The church was greatly encouraged and all the saints were made to rejoice on account of the presence of the Holy Ghost. There were forty-seven saved, twenty-nine sanctified, twenty-four filled with the Holy Ghost, eleven baptized in water and twenty-three added to the church. Most of these were young people from the age of thirteen to twenty-five years. We believe each one will prove a great blessing to the cause of Christ and for the upbuilding of His kingdom. We just can't express in words the good which has been accomplished in this revival.

We have a good Sunday School and Y. P. E. here. We are now holding the Princeton district Sunday School and Y. P. E. banners and we also have the state Y. P. E. banner. We also have a real good L. W. W. B. It is doing a great work. We have a fine work here, a real good band of young people to work with and they all have a mind to work. We see great success in the future. There is much to be done and I am so very glad God has given us a little part in His great program for His Church which we love better every day.

We praise God for His wonderful work and for our dear pastor, for he truly is a man of God. We ask an interest in your prayers that the Lord will continue to bless our labor for Him.—C. J. Norris, clerk, Box 291.

MURRAY'S CHAPEL, Ala. — We have just closed a revival at Murray's Chapel. We really had a meeting. There were four saved, two sanctified, one filled with the Holy Ghost. We had an old time Pentecostal meeting; people shouted under the power. Brother C. F. Barrett is the pastor. May God bless him and his wife in their work.—Bessie Dobson.

HILLSBORO, N. C. — We closed a two weeks' meeting January 12, Sister Ida McGuire of Keysville, Va., doing the preaching. There were five converted and several are looking toward the Church.

Sister McGuire brought some wonderful messages—the kind people need to hear. She made many friends in Hillsboro and was a great blessing to the church. She is only nineteen years of age and has been preaching about four years.—Carlis S. Grogan, pastor, Box 437, Spray, W. Va.

## Great Revival in Mobile Mission

We praise the Lord for the revival which Brother Wroten Dunn conducted at the Church of God mission in down town Mobile. Brother Dunn is a graduate of the Church of God Bible Training School. Thank God for a young man filled with the Holy Ghost. Every message was soul-stirring as well as uplifting to both saint and sinner.

Every one was blessed by the songs of the trio, composed of Brother Dunn and his twin sisters, Mary and Ruth. Seven were saved, five sanctified, two filled with the Holy Ghost and one added to the church. May the Lord continue to bless them as they are determined to see the kingdom of God exalted.—Brother Douglas Roberts, 100 N. Claiborne St., Mobile, Ala.

CAMDEN, S. C. — We just closed a most wonderful revival in the history of the Church of God at Camden, S. C., with Brothers L. J. Stone and O. L. May evangelists who did the preaching. Their messages and songs of inspiration were enjoyed by all. There were forty-four saved, nineteen sanctified, fourteen baptized with the Holy Ghost, and fifteen added to the church. Pray for us at Camden that our church will continue to prosper.—Rev. W. H. Brewer.

We are glad for the good revival which came to a close Jan. 5 on Chokoloskee Island, Fla. Brother Staten and his wife were in charge of the meeting. They are fine evangelists and the Lord is blessing their work. In this revival seventeen were saved, eleven sanctified, seven filled with the Holy Ghost, and seventeen added to the church. Pray for these new converts that they will be a great blessing in the Lord's vineyard.—C. W. Cole and wife, pastor.

PRICHARD, Ala.—All the saints of God at Prichard have for the past two weeks gone through a real feast as Rev. S. C. Chambers, of South Carolina, brought many encouraging sermons. Brother Chambers has the reputation of

"cleaning them up." We praise God for someone who won't compromise. Every night proved a blessing to all who came. We were favored with specials by the Dunn trio, Wroten, Mary and Ruth. Their heartfelt songs brought tears to many eyes.

We are happy because the Holy Ghost fire is still falling and has left the saints at Prichard in a real atmosphere of happiness. Twenty were saved, fourteen sanctified, eleven filled with the Holy Ghost and seven added to the church. May God continue to smile on Brother and Sister Chambers as they endeavor to win souls to Him.—Rev. T. C. Dunn, pastor, Box 276.

### Editorials

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by members of their society. We have no quarrel against neither ASCAP nor BMI. Several songs in our books which we have paid for the right to publish, are now withheld from the air because of this monopoly. "The Old Rugged Cross," "There Is Power in the Blood," "Dwelling in Beulah Land," "Let Jesus Come into Your Heart," and "This Is Like Heaven to Me," are among the songs controlled by ASCAP and their use now banned over NBC and CBS.

It has been circulated by some and is commonly believed among Pentecostal people that some of these songs are banned simply because the word "blood" or "cross" appears in them; but this has nothing to do with it. We have many songs about the cross and the blood of Christ which may be used freely. In fact, anything that the Tennessee Music & Printing Company publishes, owns, or controls may freely be used in the broadcasts of either the independent stations or those controlled by the NBC and CBS. Let not the child of God therefore be alarmed over this fight. It is just another clamor for supremacy and a fight between two organizations which will finally be settled by the courts.

An Associated Press item of February 5 states "The Government cracks down on embattled ASCAP with anti-trust law charges today in a new phase of the controversy of the nation's music." We do not believe, personally, that any company should control the nation's music, that songs in any book should be free (after being purchased by those who use them) to be used on any program over the air or

### otherwise.

### B. T. S. Trumpeter

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are forgotten as each student goes to worship with his Bible in his hand. May we leave Sevierville with this blessed Book and sow the precious seed of the Word throughout the homeland, across the bor-

ders, and in the regions beyond! May we render the "efficient service" according to the original purpose!

Prayerful study has always been the keynote to success in Bible School. The best record is left at school by the person who is an earnest student; the best record is made on the field by the person who retains 2 Timothy 2:15 as his motto after graduation. A case psychologist might fail to prescribe a never-failing formula for "making good," but the Biblical rules of conduct insure a favorable termination of any attempt. The man who knows and keeps these rules can find a solution to every problem. For him there will always be a way where there seemeth to be none.

On the other hand, there is no place in the sphere of religion for the unprepared Christian worker. The world is filled with skeptics and agnostics and atheists. Even in some churches and their schools there is much criticism of the Bible. The situation demands firmly established believers and stalwart defenders of the faith. The Church of God Bible School meets this demand. When one has mastered the three-year course in Bible study as taught. here, he can combat with the unbelieving world, "ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh him a reason of the hope that is in him, with meekness and fear.'

During the remainder of this school term we hope to acquaint you with this splendid course of study. Next week *The Trumpeter* will begin a sequel of testimonies from students who will tell of the personal benefit they have derived by studying various subjects. The other de-

partments of our school are noteworthy, but without an understanding of the Bible we would be "ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth."

Those who haven't enough God in their lives to enable them to submit when necessary will have poor success advertising Bible religion.

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The Church of God, Dalton, Ca., over station WBLJ, Dalton, 1200 Kc. Each Sunday, 6:00-6:45 a. m. Ira J. Meadows, pastor.

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The Church of God at Monroe, Ga., over station WGAU. Atlanta, Ga., each Sunday from 2:30-3:00 p.m. E.S.T. J. L. Sanders, pastor.

The Church of God, Langley, S. C., over station WGAC, Augusta, Ga. Each Sunday morning from 8:30-9:00. Odis Smith, pastor.

N. Cleveland, Tenn., Church of God over station WBLJ, 1200 Kc. Each Sunday at 1:00-2:00 p. m., C.S.T. D. B. Yow, pastor.

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The Church of God at Concord, N. C., over WSTP, Salisbury, N. C. Each Friday at 4:15-4:45 p. m. Roland Verrico, pastor.

The Church of God of the Delbarton and Matewan, W. Va., districts, over WBTH, Williamson, W. Va., 1370 Kc. Each Sunday at 2:00-3:00 p. m. Under direction of H. H. Tygart, Vulcan, W. Va., and W. H. Compton, Delbarton, W. Va.

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